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Dear Examiner Yuan:

In response to the non-final office action mailed June 5, 2007, we enclose the following:

- 1) Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated July 5, 2007 (1 page); and
- 2) Response to Election/Restriction Requirement with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated July 5, 2007 (2 pages).

Very respectfully,

Thomas E. Toner Reg. No. 57,422

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Confirmation No.: 3172

Applicant:

: Robert Frederick Benson et al.

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: Aluminum Galvanic Cell

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TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a Response to Election/Restriction Requirement for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicants are independent inventors.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

SIGNATURE OF PRACTITIONER

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Dear Sir:

Applicant responds to the nonfinal Examiner's action mailed June 5, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire July 5, 2007 as follows:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute Group I, claims 1-17 and 39-42, drawing to an electrochemical cell comprising and aluminum anode spaced from an alkali metal peroxide cathode.